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The reply filed on 03 July 2002 is not fully responsive to the prior Office action because of the following omission(s) or matter(s): the marked-up copy of the amended claims is in error. Claim 27 is incorrect; it would appear that the word "inducing" is new, but is not underlined. Such an error places in doubt what the correct claim language is to be. Therefore, the amendment has not been officially entered. Applicant should submit a new set of claim amendments properly showing which words are being added and deleted which is consistent with the status of the claims according to the previous amendments. See 37 CFR 1.121 for clarification on the manner of making amendments in patent applications. See 37 CFR 1.111. Since the above-mentioned reply appears to be *bona fide*, applicant is given a TIME PERIOD of ONE (1) MONTH or THIRTY (30) DAYS from the mailing date of this notice, whichever is longer, within which to supply the omission or correction in order to avoid abandonment.

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